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be convinced that the battle was
result in any good sufficient to
compensate for the strife. I have
been exceedingly occupied for some
time, and have not had to my
power to converse with any of
our friends here on the subject
proposed in your note. I wish
I could see and converse with
you. We might perhaps hit
upon some course which it
would be wise to pursue. Why
can you not make me a
call? Come and spend Sabbath
with me if you can; perhaps
we might prepare the way
for something further.

Affectionately Yours

J. Hawes

open for a calm and intelligent
discussion of the subject of slavery.
But for some months past matters
have been going back. The
causes I need not specify.
I doubt whether there has
been a time for a long period
when it would be more difficult
to gain a candid hearing on
the subject of abolition than
the present. I know not how
the subject could be brought for-
ward here in any way without
provoking terrible opposition.
I am willing so far as I
am concerned to take that
opposition in the form if I could

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My dear Sir, Your note of the 10th got misslaid, and I could not lay my hand on it till this morning. I am glad you can go to spend the winter in these quarters, and I pray God to open a wide door before you in promoting your most difficult and self denying enterprise.

As to what may and ought to be attempted here I really am at a loss what to say. I thought when Mr Birney was here last summer that I had gotten the ground and that the way was to some be